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FOLLOWING REPEAT USNATO 7175 ACTION SECSTATE DATED JUL 26:

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TAGS: CCMS, NATO

SUBJECT: CCMS: NEW PILOT STUDY PROPOSAL ON PLASTICS WASTES

RECOVERY.

REFS: (A)STATE 186559; (B)USNATO 6609; (C)USNATO 6615

1. WE HAVE CHECKED WITH INTERNATIONAL STAFF REGARDING POSSIBILITY OF SCHEDULING EXPERTS' MEETING ON PLASTICS WASTES RECOVERY PROPOSAL AT NATO HEADQUARTERS (REF A). UNFORTUNATELY, ALL REGULAR CONFERENCE ROOMS AND INTERPRETERS ARE BOOKED DURING SEPTEMBER. INTERNATIONAL STAFF OF SCIENTIFIC AFFAIRS DIVISION, HOWEVER, COULD MAKE AVAILABLE ITS OWN, SMALL CONFERENCE ROOM, WHICH COULD HOLD 15 OR SO BUT WHICH HAS NO FACILITIES UNCLASSIFIED

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FOR SIMULTANEOUS INTERPRETATION.

2. IN VIEW OF DIFFICULTY OF OBTAINING MEETING SITES ON SHORT NOTICE, WE HAVE TENTATIVELY ASKED SCIENTIFIC AFFAIRS STAFF TO RESERVE ITS CONFERENCE ROOM FOR THE MEETING. THE PROBLEM OF PROVIDING INTERPRETATION REMAINS, HOWEVER. WOULD IT BE POSSIBLE FOR EPA TO PROVIDE FUNDS

SO THAT INTERPRETER COULD BE HIRED TO PROVIDE SEQUENTIAL INTERPRETATION? COMMENT: FRENCH TEND TO BE STICKY ABOUT PROVISION OF INTERPRETING SERVICE FOR MEETINGS HELD AT NATO HEADQUARTERS.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: WOULD APPRECIATE COMMENTS FROM CCMS COORDINATORS OFFICE WITH REGARD TO (A)ACCEPTABILITY OF USING SCIENTIFIC AFFAIRS DIVISION CONFERENCE ROOM; (B) POSSIBILITY OF EPA PROVIDING FUNDS TO CONTRACT PRIVATELY FOR SEQUENTIAL INTERPRETATION SERVICE; (C) INDICATION OF HOW MANY DAYS WILL BE NEEDED TO DRAFT PROPOSAL. ONCE WE HAVE REPLIES TO THESE QUESTIONS WE CAN, IF STILL APPROPRIATE, ISSUE INVITATIONS. BENNETT UNQTE VANCE

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